

Bee City USA - Hampton

Report on 2023



Pollinator Habitat Creation & Enhancement

Please describe pollinator habitat creation or enhancement projects in your community in 2023, and whether your committee hosted them or not.

Northampton Branch Library container pollinator gardens (cohost) Blue Bird Gap Farm pollinator pocket garden (host) Phoebus Verge planting (host) Phoebus CG pollinator garden (host) North Phoebus CG pollinator garden (host) Buckroe CG pollinator garden (host) North Phoebus CC pollinator garden (host)

How many habitat projects did you help to create or enhance in 2023?

6

How many people (staff, volunteers, students, partners, etc.) helped with those projects?

4

How many projects benefit monarchs, milkweed, or nectar plantings?

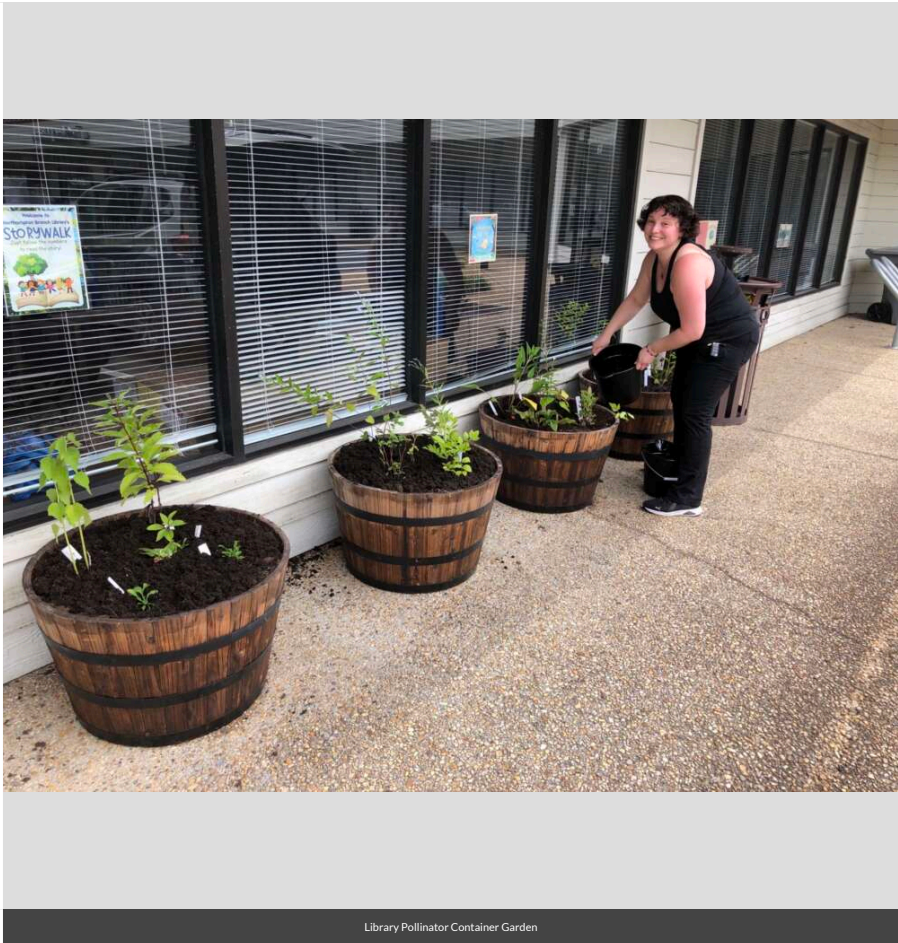
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How many total square feet of habitat were created or enhanced?

200

Please check all that describe the habitats your affiliate helped to create or enhance in 2023 with pollinator benefit in mind.

- Flower garden
- Roadside/rights of way planting



Library Pollinator Container Garden



Pollinator garden at Clean City office (Wendy Iles)

Education & Outreach

Please describe pollinator conservation events or outreach activities in your community in 2023, indicating whether your committee hosted them or not.

Mosaic Festival outreach Buckroe Beach Farmers Market Pollinator week outreach World Bee Day at Blue Bird Gap Farm outreach Kilgore Learning Center 4th grade bee keeping class outreach Creation Care Day outreach Bee Social outreach (hosted) Kecoughtan High School Community Event outreach Wonderwalk educational tree outreach

How many pollinator-related events or outreach activities did you host or help with in 2023 (in total)?

8

How many people attended those events (in total)?

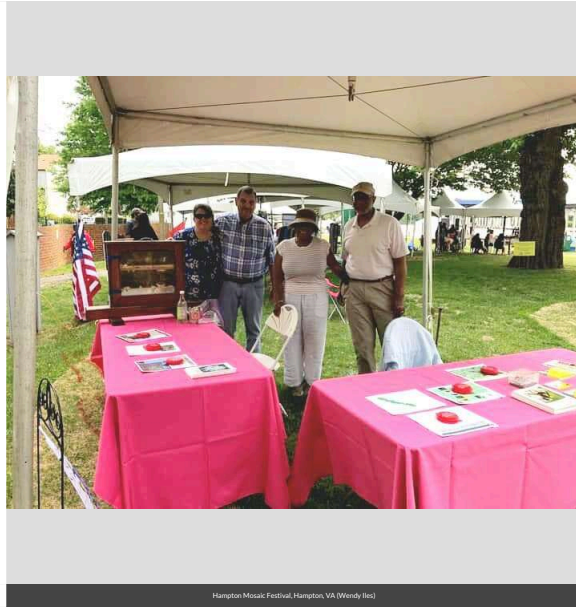
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How many Bee City USA logo street signs have you installed to date (in total)?

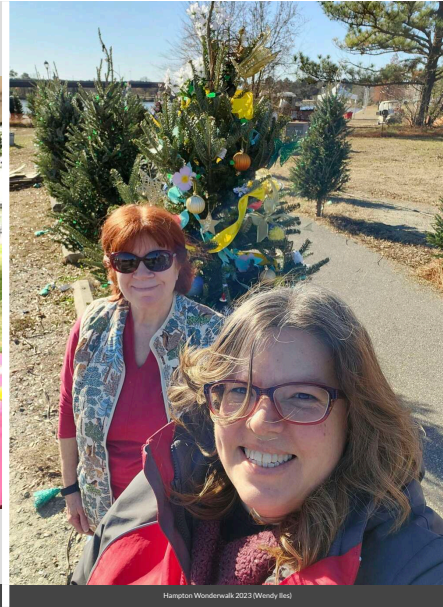
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Bee City USA Hampton at Buckroe Beach Farmers Market for pollinator week (Wendy Rice)



Hampton Mosaic Festival, Hampton, VA (Wendy Rice)



Hampton Wonderwalk 2023 (Wendy Rice)

Policies & Practices

Please describe actions taken to make pest management more pollinator-friendly.

Included educational materials on reducing pesticides at outreach events.

In your city or campus, are any policy initiatives underway to further protect pollinators, people or waterways from pesticides?

Yes, waterways via the Chesapeake Foundation educational efforts.

Did your committee participate in any continuing education on ecologically-based Integrated Pest Management planning?

No.

Please check actions you have taken to make pest management practices more pollinator-friendly.

- Only use pesticides as a last resort within the IPM plan
- Distributed educational materials to residents or students to encourage the reduction or elimination of pesticide use

Are efforts underway in your community to further reduce pesticide use in residential or business areas? This may include

neighborhood-led efforts, outreach to landscapers, etc. If so, please describe.

Not at this time.

Any lessons learned you would like to share?

Change is a slow process



Cynthia Harris and Wendy Iles receiving the Green Keeper award for Bee City USA-Hampton from Keep VA Beautiful



Three members of Bee City USA-Hampton (Wendy Iles)

Learn More

Integrated Pest Management Plan: [COH Public Works IPM Plan.docx](#)

Recommended Native Plant List: [Brochure - Revised 9-10-20.docx](#)

https://hampton.gov/DocumentCenter/View/30382/Native-Pollinator-Plants_DG?bidId=

Recommended Native Plant Supplier List: [Native Plant Nurseries.docx](#)

<https://vnps.org/view/native-plant-nurseries/>

<https://hampton.gov/3759/Bee-City-USA>

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